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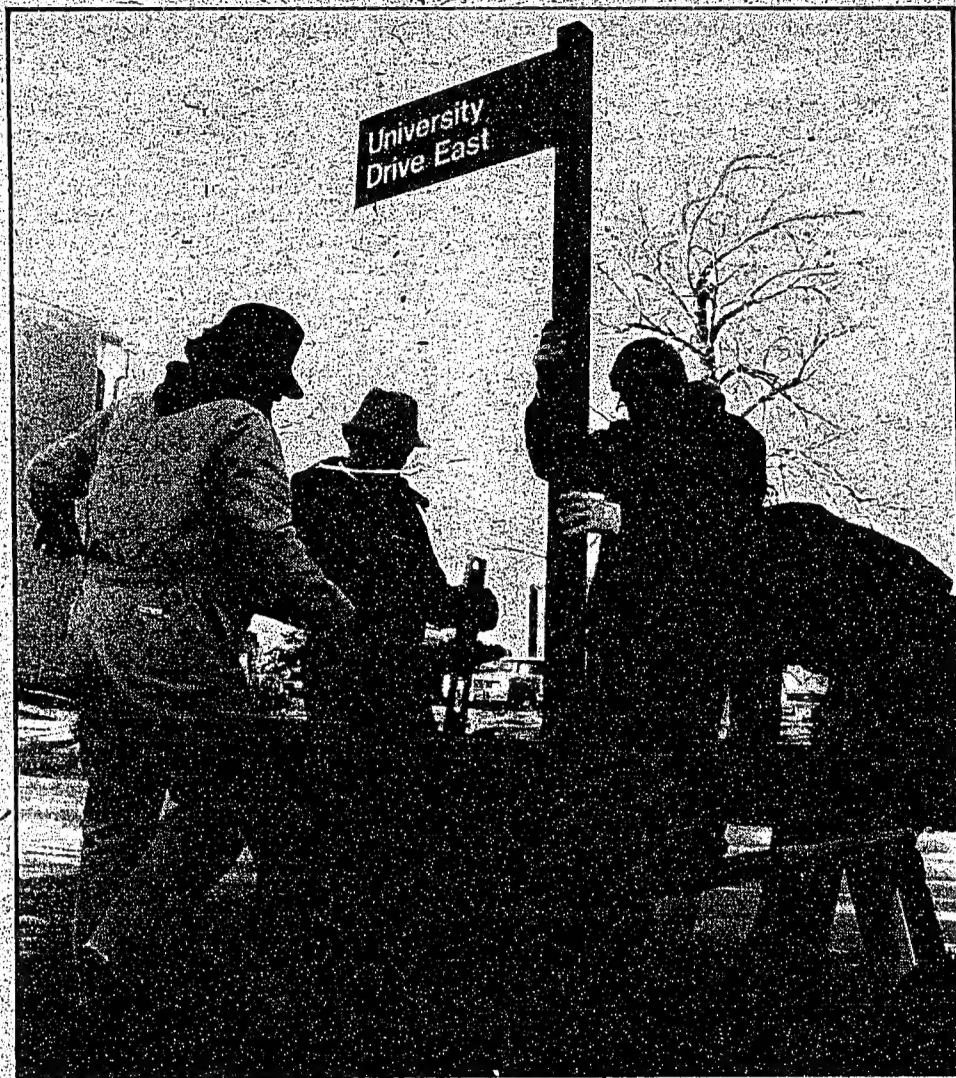
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At the signpost ahead...

New road signs were put in place last week to mark campus roads. Pictured from left: Mike Brush, Jim Veiga, Gary DeWitt and Robert Cox.

Students could see surcharge

20 percent tuition hike possible for Engineering

By JOHN ROOD
Senior Reporter

LINCOLN — Engineering students will pay more to complete their degrees if a tuition surcharge is passed at the Board of Regents meeting next month.

The Academic Affairs Subcommittee met Friday to hear a request from UNL vice chancellor Robert Ferguson for a one-time increase of 20 percent on tuition for University of Nebraska undergraduate engineering classes. The surcharge would mean an increase of \$8.95 per credit hour.

If passed, the surcharge would generate about \$350,000 to replace outdated laboratory equipment, Ferguson said. An additional \$150,000 of budgeted funds would also be used.

Replacement of the old equipment is necessary because the engineering college will be evaluated for accreditation by the Engineering Accreditation Commission (EAC) in November.

UNL Student President/Regent Andy Pollack said without the new equipment, the EAC accreditation is in jeopardy.

"I understand that this is our last chance to meet the requirements for accreditation of the engineering college," Pollack said.

"I don't think that this is a very good precedent in that we are meeting a specific need (laboratory equipment) by impacting the students very heavily over a one year time. I think it's going to affect these students drastically over the coming year."

The proposed increase would begin during the fall 1988 semester. It would be paid by engineering students on both the UNO and UNL campuses, according to Harold Davis, as-

sociate dean of the College of Engineering and Technology.

Students on the UNO campus complete their degrees through the UNL engineering college, Davis said.

Davis said about 900 students are working toward engineering degrees at UNO. He said they may be unaware of the proposed increase.

"Students on this campus (UNO) may not understand that this affects them. There has been no response at all, positive or negative," Davis said.

A decision has not been made as to whether or not UNO will receive any of the new equipment.

Money generated at UNO will probably remain there, Davis said. "However, that decision has not been made yet," he said.

Three UNL students spoke against the proposed increase, all of them said it set a dangerous precedent.

Kathy Peters, a junior majoring in mechanical engineering, said she and other members of the UNL Student Senate were concerned about the timing of the proposal because they had little time to study it.

"I don't necessarily have a problem with paying differential tuition, but I do have a problem with 2,200 students paying half a million dollars in one year," Peters said.

"What guarantee do we have that it's just going to be one year? I want some guarantee that this is going to be temporary if it is enacted," she said.

She said some students have contacted her to say they plan to stay out of school for a year.

See Engineering on 4

Regents approve AAUP allocation agreement

By TIM McMAHAN
News Editor

LINCOLN — Some UNO instructors could see a little more in their pay checks in the form of merit increases due to the approval of an agreement between the Board of Regents and the UNO chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) Saturday.

According to the agreement, \$99,624 will be distributed to the colleges for allocation to faculty based upon performance. The dollars allocated to the colleges shall be proportional to the salary base of instructors as of April 27, 1987.

The method used for allocating the dollars is based on a merit plan developed in October of 1982. The plan allocates a fixed amount of money to each department on the basis of the number of faculty and their salaries in that department.

The department determines how the money is distributed to its own members within the department committee structure.

"It's based on what the faculty person has contributed in the previous 12 months, and it's decided by committees within each department judging its own members," said Ray Millinet, president of UNO's chapter of the AAUP.

The \$99,624 was just part of the approxi-

mately \$110,000 in supplemental salary money allocated.

The agreement specifies that \$10,000 shall be identified as the Vice-Chancellor's Adjustment Fund, which shall be distributed for purposes of additional performance adjustment or marketplace adjustment.

Otto Bauer, vice chancellor of Academic Affairs, would control this money with the limitations that no more than \$1,000 be awarded to an individual member and total award of at least \$1,000 will be made in no less than three colleges. The limitation keeps the awards from being a lump sum to one specific college, Millinet said.

Lastly, \$976 will be used for promotions.

The increases will be effective retroactive to July 1, 1987, for full-year unit members and effective retroactive to August 17, 1987, for academic-year unit members.

Millinet said he was pleased with the way the money was distributed but displeased with the amount.

"It's only a 1 percent salary increase which was part of \$880,000 that was distributed to the entire University of Nebraska system last May. There was some discussion that it could have been as much as \$15 million, and it came

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Kerrigan new student president/regent

By TIM McMAHAN
News Editor

Although not official yet, the winner of this year's president/regent election appears to be Party in Progress member Joe Kerrigan.

Election Commissioner Mike DeBolt said Sunday the results would be ratified within the next two days and he sees no problems with the ratification.

Kerrigan received 581 of the 1,005 votes cast during the election. Voter turnout was low at around 6 percent of the total student body, DeBolt said. The other two candidates, Greg Gunderson and Chad Brown, received 229 and 129 votes respectively.

Kerrigan is one of the 21 Party in Progress (PIP) members who won seats on the Student Senate. Only seven non-PIP candidates were elected. Four people received enough votes to receive a seat by write-in nomination. Student Senate Speaker Dan Kennedy was voted into two seats, Graduate Class and Graduate College.

"I was very surprised at the results, especially at the success of PIP. Anyone who wasn't a PIP member has to envy the way they campaigned," Gunderson said.

"The essence of politics is telling the students why they

should vote for you. I didn't do a good job of that," he said.

A major opponent of PIP, Gunderson said he doesn't foresee any effects of having a senate controlled by a majority of PIP members.

"They said if they won they would disband after the election. I believe that's the case, and I have to take their word for it. I plan on not seeing an effect. As long as they act as they've said, we shouldn't see any problems," he said.

President/regent candidate and Garden Party member Chad Brown had a different philosophy about the loss.

"I don't consider it a loss, but a victory because of the support from students that believed in our insanity," Brown said.

He said most voters probably didn't know what was going on and voted for PIP members because they were told to.

Though no Garden Party members won a seat in the senate, Brown said the party would continue. Next week try outs for their croquet team will be conducted and future plans include a fund-raising cocktail party for the organization.

Kerrigan was unavailable for comment Sunday.

UNO students will continue to be members of the Nebraska State Students Association (NSSA). Students voted to stay in the lobbying organization by a vote of 402 to 287.

Students also voted to continue to fund stipends by 401 to 311. Stipend funds are money used to support some student organizations.

Kerrigan

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Brown

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Comment

Explore the Earth's mysteries

"I still haven't found what I'm looking for" — U2

I got the chance to peruse the Oct. 11 edition of the London Sunday Times thanks to a friend of a friend who is studying in Scotland this semester.

A story on Operation Deepscan, the attempt to discover the secret of Scotland's Loch Ness, caught my eye.

The story reminded me of my grade-school interest in the strange, unexpected and bizarre.

Remember the Bermuda Triangle, the lost city of Atlantis, the Amityville Horror,

Mark Elliott

Gateway Columnist

the mystery of the Inca disappearance, UFOs, Bigfoot, ESP, Easter Island and Stonehenge?

The list is endless.

While most of the mysteries hold little water, several are intriguing enough to merit more discussion.

Each of the above mysteries has been totally explored and researched. There is little evidence that any of them are true to any extent.

So why the love affair with the mysteries?

Perhaps it is the human desire for knowledge of the unknown, that proverbial "What's over the next hill" approach.

Thinking back to the time when the mysteries were really big in the '70s, I remember it was fun to try to piece the puzzles together by myself.

Just thinking up those answers was the best part.

I don't know how many others feel that things like the Amityville Horror happen, but I do.

Hey, you never know.

Something about things we don't comprehend makes us thirsty for knowledge. It's almost like the earth is challenging us to figure the mysteries out, daring us to answer its complex puzzles.

Man doesn't know very much about his planet, his past and certainly nothing about his future. But yet he still plods along.

Man must continue to seek answers to the earth's mysteries. He cannot become complacent. And after the earth's puzzles have been documented, man's quest for knowledge must push him outward, toward the stars.

Because that never-ending search for knowledge is really what makes us human.

Mousy, yes. But a wimp, no

I think all of us resemble some species of the animal family. Vice President George Bush is no exception. He looks like a mouse. Stumping through southwest Iowa Friday, Bush stopped in my hometown of Shenandoah and delivered a speech recalling his war record: Loyalty to the president and a little pathos to boot.

To the crowded pack at the Elks Lodge, Bush appeared as bland and "invisible" as the not-so-Secret Service looked intense and obvious.

The Secret Service men — resplendent in dark suits, identifying lapel pins and black, shiny Secret Service shoes — almost stole the show at the pig sandwich luncheon.

As the Bush motorcade cruised past the loyal order of elk shed, most of us waiting on line missed the waving vice president and instead cast our eyes toward the military helicopter whirling above.

Safely inside, the vice president stood below a huge mounted elk head and immediately tried to dispel the wimp image by reciting his war record.

Looking scholarly, not presidential, he told the crowd of party faithful and high school students that he received his wings and commis-

sion at age 18, and got shot down during WW II a few months before his 20th birthday.

But only minutes later he denounced war, saying he would not send our sons and daughters off to fight. If you would call that hypocrisy, I'd agree.

I think Bush lacks charisma and that somewhat mystical presidential quality.

Clearly, it's not something he will acquire before the caucuses and primaries begin this

Peter Weber

Gateway Columnist

February. You either have it or you don't. Bush doesn't, and it's going to hurt him.

In the television age, style, not substance, almost certainly wins presidential elections.

However, I don't think Bush is a wimp.

I know he could whup Michael Jackson who has, of late, taken to calling himself bad.

I would also bet he could thump Gonzo journalist Hunter S. Thompson, who recently told

a college audience at Marquette University that "George Bush should be killed. He should be stomped to death, and I'll join in."

I think the problem lies not in what he says or how he says it, but in the way he looks — like a bespectacled mouse.

From my vantage point — about 20 feet stage right — he looked fit, trim, not a day over 55 (he's 63) and mousy.

Bush speaks with a twang and without much force. He received polite applause when he said, "I've been a loyal vice president. Loyalty is a strength, not a weakness."

Maybe so, but I should think he would be trying to put as much distance between himself and a president who presides over a deficit of more than \$1 trillion.

The vice president received his loudest applause when he said he wanted to ease taxes on capital gains. Rousing stuff, George.

Throughout the 20-minute talk, Bush impressed me as intelligent, mousy not wimpy, and would probably fit in nicely as a professor at one of the great schools of the East. But he will probably be the next president of the United States.

Free tickets a hot commodity

Wait too long for Bozo-crazed kids

I have accomplished some pretty formidable favors for people over the years. I have arranged for a man and his wife to get a personal tour of the White House. I have arranged for a friend to sit in the audience of "The Oprah Winfrey Show." I have even — and this was a hard one — gotten some people tickets to "Late Night With David Letterman." On less than 24 hours notice.

But recently I got a request that I knew I was going to border on the impossible.

A woman named Kate Winburn-Smith — I had never met her before, and still haven't — wrote me a pleading letter. In the first paragraph she admitted the error of her ways.

"I blew it. I was so busy with the baby bottles, walking around with lack of sleep and trying to be the perfect mother that I forgot to send away for Bozo tickets."

Without reading another sentence, I knew exactly what she was talking about. The best-kept secret in the United States is that the hardest tickets to get — and this includes Broadway shows, Super Bowls, World Series and the Academy Awards ceremonies — is a ticket to "The Bozo Show," which is broadcast five mornings a week over WGN-TV in Chicago.

Kate Winburn-Smith informed me that she and her husband have two sons — Dillon, 7, and Reilly, 6.

Here is the problem: For those of you who are unfamiliar with "The Bozo Show," it is a relatively simple TV production. It features a

Bob Greene

Chicago Tribune

clown — Bozo — and his sidekick Cooky, games and cartoons. It also has a studio with bleachers that seat approximately 200 people.

The Bozo show is so popular that — get this — the show's staff is sending out tickets to people who wrote in in 1979. The tickets are free, but there is an eight-year wait. Right now there are 10,000 ticket requests filed away in three metal cabinets at WGN's headquarters.

Which is why Kate Winburn-Smith was so distraught. If she sent away for tickets now, her sons would be 15 and 14 by the time they got tickets. And "The Bozo Show" is not really designed for people that old.

Actually, even if Kate Winburn-Smith were to send away for tickets now, she would not get the tickets — even in eight years. "We have not been taking requests for tickets since 1983," said Ron McCoy, a spokesman for "The Bozo Show."

"I've been in television for 15 years, and I've never seen anything like it," McCoy said. "Getting tickets to 'The Tonight Show' or 'Wheel of Fortune' is a snap in comparison to getting tickets to 'The Bozo Show.'"

Kate Winburn-Smith sent me a lovely color photograph of her family. They are sitting on what appears to be their back porch. Kate is resting her hand lovingly on her husband's knee. The two boys are smiling angelically.

I thought about what I would tell her she had to do to get tickets to "The Bozo Show."

My first thought was to tell her that she had to crawl around her block for an hour barking like a dog.

My second thought was to tell her that she had to sign over the deed to their home to me.

But in the end — after Ron McCoy relented and said he would make an exception, just this once — I simply told Kate Winburn-Smith that she would be given free tickets to "The Bozo Show" this month.

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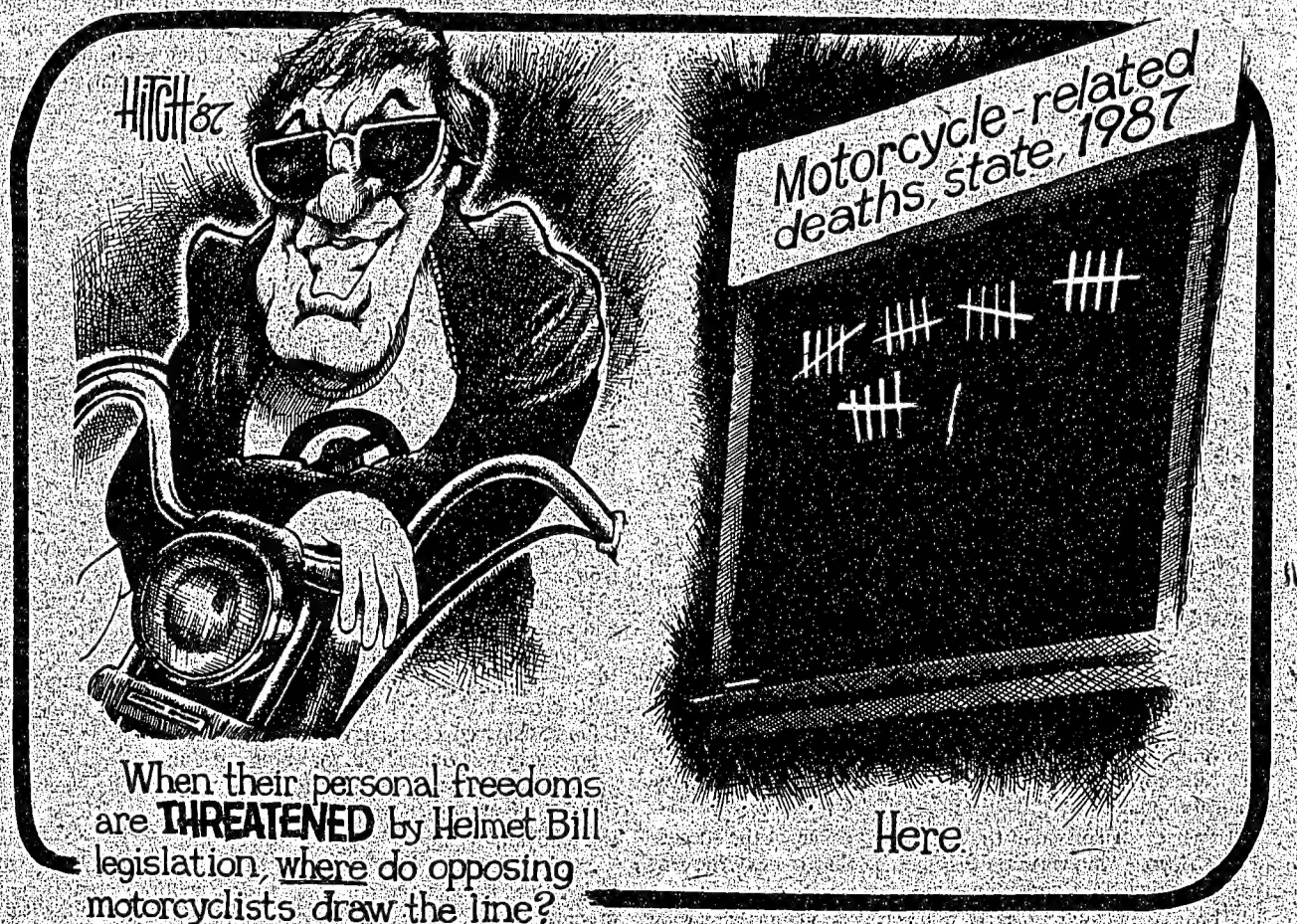
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Air Force Briefing Team lists security trouble spots

By STEVE CHASE
Staff Reporter

The Middle East and Afghanistan are two global centers that pose the biggest security challenge to the United States, according to Col. Floyd E. Ward, head of the Air Force National Security Briefing Team.

The briefing team gave a presentation on defense issues Wednesday in the UNO Student Center. The presentation was sponsored by the UNO Air Force ROTC.

Latin America and the areas surrounding Cuba and Central America are other problem security areas, he said.

"Through this area, 54 percent of the United States' crude oil is shipped," Ward said. "Sixty percent of NATO's resupplying also comes through this area."

"If the United States has an Achilles' heel or soft underbelly it would be this area around the Gulf of Mexico," Ward said.

The area of the Far East around Viet Nam is another area of rising security concern, he said. The Soviets were converting the old Cameron Air Force Base, one of the United States' main strategic headquarters in the Viet Nam War, to a Soviet base, he said.

The Soviet Union's arsenal and the United States role of keeping up with its progress in national defense is an important concern, Ward said.

He said the Soviets have a two-to-one advantage over the United States because they spend 15 percent of their gross national product on defense. The United States spends 7

percent.

The Soviets have taken a greater lead through "technological transfers," Ward said.

"It's called technological transfers, but it's more like theft," he said. "The Soviet's new bomber, the Blackjack, looks a lot like our B-1B bomber, only it's bigger."

Ward said the Department of Defense is trying to upgrade its technology to compete with the buildup of Eastern Bloc countries. Some of the developments include the mobile MX missile system and the recently developed B-1B bomber.

"The U.S. has had no new bombers since 1962," Ward said. "Most of the kids who are bomber pilots are flying planes that are older than they are."

The second half of the talk was given by Maj. David B. Harwood, the other member of the security team. He said there has been a problem with contractors overpricing goods sold to the Department of Defense.

The department has more than 50,000 contractors and a budget of \$170 billion, Harwood said. It is clamping down on overcharging by instilling penalties with fines on contract violations, he said.

"This budget is more than General Motors, IBM and Exxon combined," Harwood said. "It's an unrealistic goal to say you're going to be perfect in such a size of a budget."

Harwood and Floyd are both instructors with the Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama. They give presentations across the country to college and social groups.

Approval allows Afghans chance to study at UNO

By JOHN ROOD
Senior Reporter

LINCOLN — Twenty-one Afghan scholarship recipients will attend UNO next semester as part of a contract with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID).

The Board of Regents approved a \$148,000 subcontract Friday with The Asia Foundation to provide selection services for the Afghan scholarship program. The Asia Foundation is a nonprofit international organization dedicated to the study of Afghanistan.

Since the 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the Afghan educational system has been controlled almost entirely by the Soviet Union.

UNO instructors have gone to nearby Pakistan as part of a three-year contract to assist with the education of Afghan refugees.

Thomas Gouttierre, director of International Studies and Programs, said there were two reasons UNO contracted for the services with TAF.

The first was that UNO resources in Pakistan are already spread thin. "Our team there is already overloaded," he said.

The second was the UNO team's desire to remain objective politically among the seven resistance groups. The UNO team's

intent is to be neutral and provide educational assistance, he said.

"That's a politically-charged situation. Those positions are highly coveted," Gouttierre said.

Under the contract, the seven resistance groups will each choose nominees for the program. The Asia Foundation will then choose three people from each of the groups.

All of the participants must possess a bachelor of arts or bachelor of sciences degree or meet other qualifications in order to come to UNO.

At UNO, the participants will study for 12 months on a non-degree basis. They will study ways to contribute humanitarian assistance to the reconstruction of Afghanistan.

Gouttierre said the subcontract was part of the original plan with USAID, but it wasn't approved until Friday because funding for the program hadn't been available.

He said he hoped additional groups would come to UNO in the future because it represents the U.S. commitment to the rebuilding of Afghanistan. UNO is committed to the Afghan scholarship program because it represents that future.

The Center for Afghanistan Studies will conduct the program in cooperation with the College of Public Affairs and Community Service.

32 win chairs in 1987 Student Government elections

Here are the results of last week's Student Government elections. The numbers are unofficial. Election Commissioner Mike DeBolt said ratification of these results would take place early this week. Winners are in bold.

Total president/regent ballots..... 1,005
Total referendum ballots..... 971
Total ballots rejected..... 5
Total ballots processed..... 1,981

President/Regent vote totals

Joe Kerrigan..... 581
Greg Gunderson..... 229
Chad Brown..... 129

Graduate ballot

Dan Kennedy..... write-in
Tom Phelan..... write-in

Senior ballot

Marilou Ervin..... 134
Mike Gaebe..... 60

Junior ballot

Pamela Kocina..... 90
Terri Valgora Wright..... 38
Brad Thiel..... 25
Robert High..... 19
Craig Niedbalski..... 14

Sophomore ballot

Tim Kerrigan..... 107

Chuck Valgora..... 55
Brett Bennett..... 20

Freshman ballot

Kelli Sears..... 94
Mary Reynolds..... 91
Joe Fogarty..... 56
Mark Jones..... 26
Lee Millward..... 15

Arts and Sciences

Erica Lee Johnson..... 134
John Majorek..... 43
Gregory Clark..... 24
Gretchen Ven Zeicher..... write-in
Ron Krueger..... 20
Paul Hays..... 18

Business Administration

Bob Ryan..... 90
Scott Bates..... 58
Cheryl Carter..... 39
Stephanie Erickson..... 21
Bernie Burke..... 11

CPACS

Johnny Ray Lewis..... 17

Continuing Studies

Guy Rudloff..... 24
Chris Culver..... 21
Regis Johanns..... 11

Graduate College

Susan Macaitis..... 43
Dan Kennedy..... write-in

Education

Janet Alden..... 66
Tim Lonergan..... 32

Engineering

Jay Barry..... 32
Kevin Propst..... 32

Fine Arts

Mike Smith..... 22
Angie Opperman..... 6
Matthew Shrader..... 5

Home Economics

Margaret Battaglia..... 19

University Division

Becky Barnes..... write-in
Cherise McCoy..... write-in

Stipends

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No..... 311
Blank or Multiple..... 259

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Yes..... 402
No..... 287
Blank or Multiple..... 282

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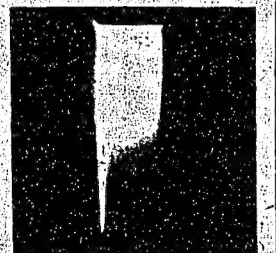
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down to \$880,000 very quickly."

Millimet said estimates indicate salaries of the faculty are as high as 20 percent below comparable schools.

"A 1 percent increase when you're 15 or 20 percent down doesn't really solve a lot of problems," he said.

Millimet said the AAUP has its own lobbyists in the Legislature speaking to the issues that concern the group. It also directly interacts and works for various members of the Unicameral in their campaigning so they remember professors when the time comes for salary considerations.

"We try to work with the citizens in Omaha and elsewhere to try to get them to be interested in the issues so that more influence can be put on the legislative process," Millimet said.

UNO has been part of the AAUP since 1979, he said. Lincoln tried to establish collective bargaining on their campus and failed to get the necessary vote of approval.

"It would be in the interest of all the faculty across the University of Nebraska system if the entire faculty did engage in collective bargaining," Millimet said.

"It would probably bring a more concerted effort to the concerns of salaries and other related issues."

Lincoln has shown interest in the area of salary increases and its faculty has spoken for that in past months, Millimet said. Since they chose not to be represented at the bargaining table, they have to live with whatever is provided to them by the Board of Regents, he said. In other regent action:

- The demolition of Annex 15 was approved

by the board. Annex 15 is located at the northwestern border of the campus. Currently, it houses KVNO-FM, UNO's public radio station. The completion of the Durham Science Center allowed for the vacating of the annex.

After the demolition, the area could be used for an expansion of the Alumni House or for additional parking. The cost to demolish the building is \$24,000 and will be paid for by the Alumni Association.

• The fine arts department now offers a bachelor of arts degree in studio art due to the approval of the degree by the board. The curriculum is designed for the student planning to pursue a career in art or to enroll in graduate study in art.

"The newly-proposed degree would serve the needs of the student preparing for a career in art education," said David Shrader, dean of

UNO's College of Fine Arts.

The degree is based on existing coursework and requires no additional resources.

• The regents approved the name of the Durham Science Center for the new UNO lab sciences building.

• John M. Harding, assistant dean of the College of Business Administration at UNO received approval to serve as a member of the board of directors of Consolidated Pipelines, Ltd., Calgary, Canada; Regent Ltd., London, England; First City Bank (Westheimer), Houston, Texas.

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and then come back after the surcharge is dropped.

Michael Ho, a sophomore, said he worried the precedent of a surcharge could carry over to other parts of the university.

"I think the scariest thing about this is not the tuition increase itself, but the way it's being brought about," Ho said.

"What worries me is that in the future whenever we have a budget problem, we'll do exactly what we did this time," he said.

Past attempts to obtain funding for the equipment through the Legislature have failed, Ho said.

He said he doubted the Legislature would fund future equipment requests, and the surcharge could become a permanent part of tuition for engineering students.

"It will be very politically difficult, in an election year, for the legislators to allocate, and justify to their constituents, a half million dollar increase in the cost of the university budget. If we can't get that increase, then we'll be right back where we are now," he said.

Joe Wurtz, a senior mechanical engineering major, said the issue should have already been corrected.

"The deficiencies were discovered six years

ago. Something should have been done a long time ago," he said.

"I think it's fairly obvious that a terrible situation exists when a college is faced with losing its accreditation and the only immediate solution is to raise the student's tuition," Wurtz said.

Wurtz said he feared "a domino affect occurring" in which "every college came up with their own 'vital projects' that they had to receive funds for."

"I think that is something that we definitely have to avoid," he said.

Wurtz responded to comments made by Regent Donald Fricke. Fricke noted that engineering students usually receive more money after graduation than other students.

"Right now, I haven't made it through school yet. I won't see that money until I graduate," he said.

The meeting on Friday was intended to provide information about the surcharge before it is voted on in November.

The increase would affect all engineering students except those in the construction management and computer science disciplines. Stan Liberty, dean of the College of Engineering and Technology said.

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The Mayflower Madame: If you can give it away, why can't you sell it?

By DEANA VODICKA
Editor

"The best job I ever had" is how Sydney Biddle Barrows describes her years at Cachet, the exclusive escort service she founded and operated.

How did Biddle Barrows, a supposed descendant of the original Mayflower passengers, end up a madame?

After observing another escort service, she said to a friend, "We're at least as smart. We could do that and this," and all of a sudden we said, "Yeah, let's do it," she said.

With \$800 and two phones, Biddle Barrows and a friend began Cachet.

How did she hire? Simple. "With an ad in the paper."

Biddle Barrows, who spoke at UNO Oct. 22, asked that girls come to a preliminary interview dressed "as if they were going with their grandfather to lunch at 21."

They looked for three things in a girl: Pretty face, good shape and, most importantly, "a warm, bright, cheerful person."

After the initial interview, prospective girls were interviewed again.

"Basically, it was 'Everything you ever wanted to know about being a call girl,'" she said.

Biddle Barrows said she didn't know anything about being a call girl, and the follow-up interview lasted only 20 minutes. After several years, it stretched to four hours.

A typical night

"If I had a call for them, I'd say, 'Hi, this is Sheila (Sydney), I have a call.' I'd tell them the time, how he paid, what he does for a living and what he liked to talk about," she said.

"The girls would get all dolled up and go to his apartment or hotel room," she said. "She would go in, look around, then go to the phone and call us to say she was there."

The girls were not allowed to drink hard liquor, and only allowed to smoke if the gentleman lit up first.

"If they left the room for any reason, they had to call and tell me. Then they had to call when they got to where they were going. They made lots of trips to the ladies' room," she said.

After two to three hours of socializing, it was time to get down to the "nitty gritty." She said the "nitty gritty" took only from five to 10 minutes.

"For those who want to know, they did straight sex and oral sex only," she said.

If anything else was requested, Biddle Barrows said the girls were told to decline.

Contrary to what many people think, venereal disease was practically nonexistent because her girls were well educated on the subject.

At the end of the evening, the girls came back to the office to turn in Biddle Barrows' 40 percent commission, leaving with their 60 percent.



"The girls also had to carry small handbags and a briefcase. In the briefcase, the girls would carry extra stockings, panty liners, makeup, mints, a mirror and a portable printer for credit card imprints."

As enjoyable as it was for everyone, there still were plenty of rules for the girls at Cachet.

Girls had to wear skirts or some kind of ensemble, with no pants or boots allowed.

"We had all kinds of categories of girls. The girl next door, career woman, sophisticated New Yorker and the model type," she said.

"But they couldn't be too flashy or too obvious. The client had to be able to pass her off as a business associate."

The girls also had to carry small handbags and a briefcase. If they looked as if they were professional working women, they weren't likely to be stopped by police.

In the briefcase, the girls would carry extra stockings, panty liners, makeup, mints, a mirror and a portable printer for credit card imprints.

The girls were also required to carry bubble bath with them. "You'd be amazed to know how many men have a champagne and bubble-bath fantasy."

Biddle Barrows also picked working names for the girls. She said she tried to fit names to the looks of the girls.

"Most of the time it was easy, but sometimes we'd have a cute, perky little blond from Iowa who wanted to be called Natasha. Uh-uh," she said.

Biddle Barrows also would ask the girls whether they were bisexual.

'Playing bridge'

"The biggest fantasy men have is seeing two girls together," she said. "Some girls would get upset and say they weren't lesbians. But I'd tell them this sort of thing could be dramatized," she said.

"We called it playing bridge," she said. "Clients loved knowing the code. They'd think they were cool calling up and asking if there was another girl who was available to play bridge."

Biddle Barrows said a large number of her clients were single, and most of the services would take place at a hotel.

"Most of them were workaholics. They were just straight, stuffy business men," she said.

But if the men were so successful, why would they have to pay for sex? Because they wanted to pay for it.

Sixty percent of her clients were married.

"Alone in New York on a business trip, they were lonely, bored, used to having someone. They wanted company. They loved their lives and families. They'd bring out pictures of the kids of the ranch," she said.

So why did happily married men seek solace elsewhere?

"Most women are unwilling to perform certain sexual acts, and we all know which one we're talking about," she said.

As far as what the clients wanted superficially, blondes were the most popular, with redheads the least. Straight hair was preferred over curls.

"If a girl got a perm, I'd have to fire her instantly. The fuzzi-ball look was the kiss of death," she said.

The only overt concession to sexiness the girls made was to wear very, very high heels.

They also had to wear matching bra, panties and garter belt.

"It was the Playboy-fantasy effect. Think back to the first time you saw a naked woman, probably in a magazine, and you'll remember they were probably wearing something like that," she said.

To keep the girls bright and articulate, she required her to read Time and Newsweek and to watch "60 Minutes" every week.

See Madame on 6

AIDS forum addresses basics

By ELIZABETH TAPE
Staff Reporter

This story contains opinions of the author.

More than 100 people gathered Friday night at the UNO Performing Arts Center to take part in an open forum on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) sponsored jointly by KETV, channel 7, the American Red Cross, the Medical Center and UNO.

The crowd included participants ranging from teens to grandparents, who first viewed a documentary on AIDS and then had the opportunity to address individual questions or concerns towards the four-member panel of local AIDS experts.

KETV's Carol Schrader moderated the program and introduced the panel's four members.

The 30-minute documentary, "The ABC's of AIDS," was hosted by KETV reporter Melissa Wells. Using a format of questions and answers, the documentary addressed such issues as "What is AIDS?" "How is it transmitted?" "What are the risks of donating or receiving blood transfusions?" and "Who should be tested for AIDS?"

The documentary introduced its audience to several patients with AIDS, each of whom drew enormous compassion. One person commented on his sense of unreality about his situation and spoke, nearly in tears, of the parts of his life that he missed, his friends calling him to suggest activities and outings. Others spoke of anger, some of how they would like to die, others of their sense of hope; one sufferer even attempted humor about his family's difficulty in accepting his homosexuality.

The statistics the documentary offered again reveal the staggering nature of this disease: There are presently approximately 40,000 AIDS patients, but one-and-a-half million people are infected by the AIDS virus, one in every 200 persons.

When the forum turned to deal with concerns of those attending, the issues raised reiterated those of the documentary to some extent, but

also branched out into new areas. One person asked about the different varieties of condoms, to which Goldsmith responded that the latex type affords better protection than the natural type.

In response to the inquiry about the purpose of testing — as nothing can be done to avoid AIDS once the antibody test is positive — one panel member indicated that an individual's knowledge of his status would likely affect behavior.

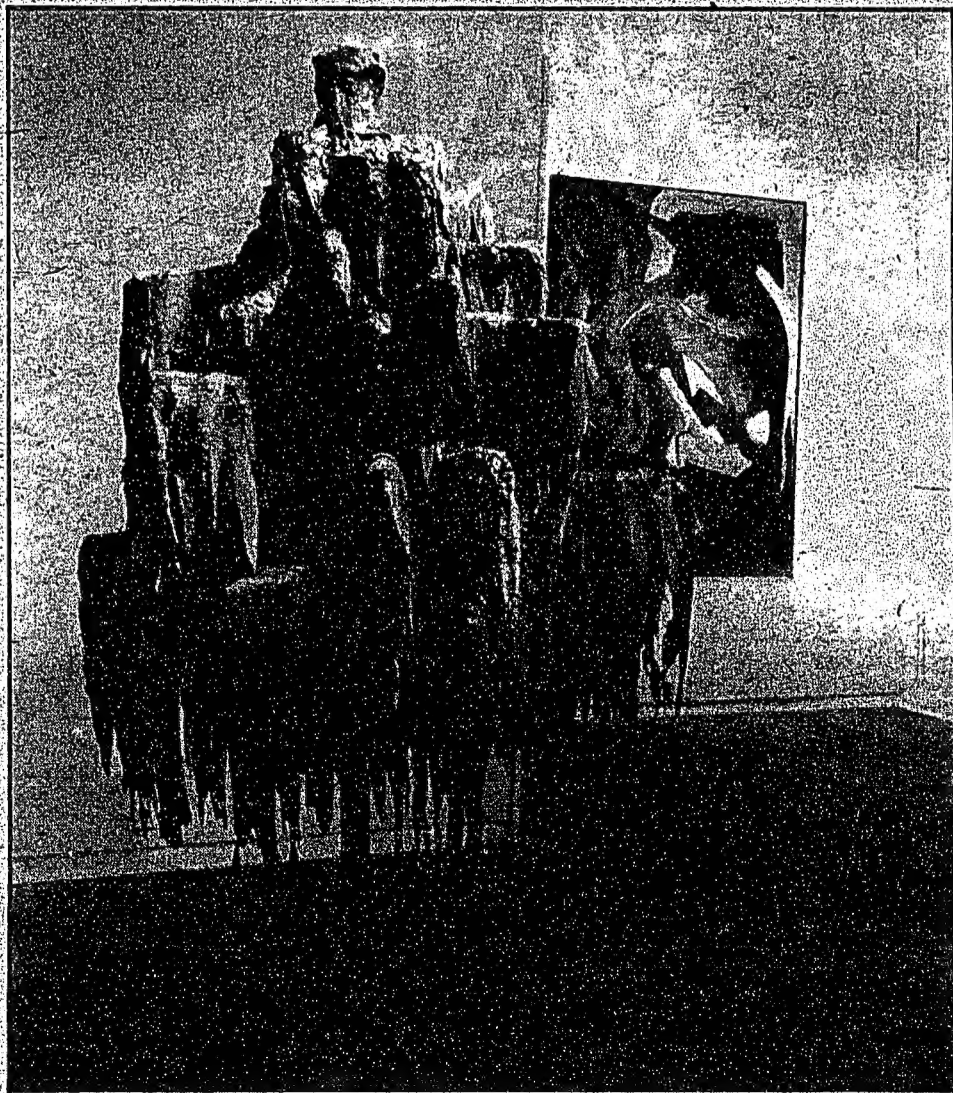
As for precautions for health-care workers, Goldsmith responded that universal precautions, such as gloves for drawing blood, are being established for hospitals. He suggested masks and even eye protection for dentists who may aerosolize blood with high-speed drills, about funding for research and education and about opinions of the President's Commission on AIDS.

Questions were raised about the future of AIDS in Nebraska. Weston pointed out that the cases of AIDS are doubling yearly in most locations; Goldsmith offered his prediction that the number of AIDS patients locally will increase 10 fold in the next 10 years and added that UNMC is working to increase the number of health-care professionals equipped to help with the care of these patients both within Omaha and outside.

One participant expressed concern about the confidentiality of the AIDS-antibody test results, noting that fear of exposure might inhibit some in need from seeking help. Weston reassured him as to the confidentiality.

For those wondering why even more attention is being given to AIDS at a time when it seems that we are inundated, perhaps a quote from Dr. Thomas Peterman of the Centers for Disease Control from the documentary would be appropriate: "It's a lot easier for people to be worried about casual contact than it is to be concerned about the real issues. The real issues are tough issues."

For more information, contact the AIDS Hotline. In Omaha, the number is 342-4233 and elsewhere, 1-800-782-AIDS.



—Akitoshi Kizaki

'October Dream'

"October Dream" by Harriet Ashcroft is one of 23 works currently being shown in the Fall UNO Art Student Exhibition in the Art Gallery, Annex 22. Ashcroft's piece won honorable mention in competition with the works of other art students. Colin C. Smith's "Chill" is in the background.

Iowa's 'Digs' cross river

By DAVID YELLS
Staff Reporter

There may have been a bite in the autumn air Saturday night, but I doubt anyone at the Howard Street Tavern noticed the chill. Central heating for the evening was provided by the Dig Mandrakes.

The Digs are a four-piece band of native Iowans currently operating out of St. Paul, Minn. Guitarist and vocalist Brad Jones and drummer

all original material which, in the words of Jones, sounds like "Bo Diddley and Glen Campbell getting stoned and appearing on Hawaii Five-O."

The band's members established a solid rapport with the audience right from the start. They often used the interval between numbers to chat with the crowd, encouraging everyone to dance, drink and in general, make merry. Their encouragement was effective. The dance floor remained crowded throughout the night, and it was obvious that all in attendance were having a good time.

The Digs performed earlier in the week in Sioux Falls, S.D. The band must have been a hit there since an entourage followed it down to Omaha for this show.

Overall, it was the type of show I expect happens every night at places like CBGB's and Max's Kansas City in New York.

The band's music is dominated by a twin-guitar attack which rides on and around the solid rhythm established by the drums and bass.

For the past nine months, the band has been



The Dig Mandrakes, all native Iowans, are based in St. Paul, Minn. The group played the Howard Street Tavern Friday and Saturday.

touring steadily. The experience its members have gained playing clubs throughout the country was reflected in a very tight performance.

The Dig Mandrakes are paying its dues and, for one, hope it eventually gets dug in a big way.

Review

Tommy Meyer are former members of Boys with Toys. In January, they got together with Al Schares, another guitarist and singer, and bassist Kip Powell to form the Dig Mandrakes.

I was able to preview three of the band's songs before the show. Impressed I was, but the recording did not really prepare me for the raw onstage energy of the ensemble. They play

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"Some of the men didn't know how to socialize, so the girls would have to keep up a running monologue."

As pretty as the girls were, the name of the game was to keep the men talking.

Any problems with violence? No.

"I think more husbands beat up their wives than clients beat up call girls," she said. "In fact, in 90 percent of the cases, it's the men who prefer to beat up or tied up."

Biddle Barrows said they did not allow "dominance" fantasies like bondage but would refer the men elsewhere.

"It's hard to believe, but there are men who actually pay women to come over and be bitchy to them."

Biddle Barrows started out charging \$125 an hour. This later increased to \$200.

The arrest

But all good things must come to an end.

On Oct. 11, 1984, "the night of the Ferraro debate," a greedy landlord got together with a cop and brought Cachet crashing down, she said.

She was arraigned and was on the cover of all three New York papers every day for two weeks except for the day Indira Gandhi died.

At first, Biddle Barrows refused to plea bargain, since she didn't believe she had done anything wrong. But when told she would have to reveal the names of her clients and employees for a case, she began to have second thoughts.

Biddle Barrows ended up with a very attractive plea bargain: A class D misdemeanor, the same as a traffic ticket. And she did not have to reveal her client list.

It was called a kiss on the wrist.

"The IRS will put you in jail in five minutes for tax fraud, you better believe it, but I knew I'd never go to jail for being a madame."

"If you can give it away, why can't you sell it? What consenting adults do in their bedrooms is no one's business, especially the government's."

Rather than legalizing prostitution, Biddle Barrows wants to decriminalize it.

"In New York, it costs \$24,000 a month per girl for her arrests. Think of the housing we could build, the day care centers."

"We need to abolish anachronistic laws. They call it the world's oldest profession, and they don't call it that for nothing."

FACW day tomorrow

Area business representatives will speak at UNO tomorrow for the seventh annual "From the Academic to the Corporate World Day" (FACW).

Thirty-five representatives will speak in classes throughout the day. Topics range from "Academic and Career Development" to "Construction of Business Methods."

"The day is an attempt to make the transition from the classroom to the world of work a little easier. It really gives the students a chance to find out how things are from someone who's actually doing the job," said Negleatha Johnson, career placement counselor at UNO and coordinator of the event.

The day also presents opportunities for the students to initiate mentoring relationships and start "networking," she said.

"It's also a way of showcasing the campus for the outside community and of promoting a good college and community relationship," Johnson said.

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Sports

Mavs present Buda with 'best win' at North Dakota

By **TERRY O'CONNOR**
Sports Editor

Sandy Buda has won a lot of football games as the Mavs' football coach, but he reached a milestone of sorts in UNO's 34-20 North Central Conference win over North Dakota.

"The win was the best, under the circumstances, in my 10 years at UNO," Buda said.

Buda owns a 70-38 win-loss slate at UNO and is closing in on the late Al Caniglia's school record career total of 74 victories. Why does the upset over the No. 15 Fighting Sioux at Grand Forks, N.D., stand out?

"We had an eight-hour bus ride to go on the

road to play a team that was hot and in first place in the league," Buda said. "We had to beat five officials with green stripes (North Dakota's school colors) and a timer with a slow button. We had all of our backs go out with injuries."

"It was a very, very good win," Buda said, leaning back in his chair, puffing contentedly on a cigar.

The Mavs have reversed a North Central Conference slide with three straight wins after opening league play with three losses. UNO is 5-3 overall and 3-3 in the NCC. The loss dropped the Sioux out of a tie for first place and left them with 5-2 and 4-2 records.

"To use a phrase coined last year, we're pretty predictable," Buda said. "If you stop our dives and sweeps, you stop us. People know it's coming, but they haven't been able to stop it for the last three games."

UNO had all the answers every time North Dakota appeared to be getting back into the tight ballgame.

UNO took a 7-0 lead when quarterback Rick Majerus hit UNO's offensive player of the game, tight end Brad Beckman, with a 4-yard scoring pass to cap a 15-play, 58-yard drive.

After North Dakota tied the score on a 1-yard quarterback keeper by Kurt Otto, the NCC's leading passer, UNO rolled right back to score 10 points on its next two possessions.

Fullback Steve Sliva pounded in for a 1-yard touchdown and John Bonacci kicked a 26-yard field goal against the wind 09 seconds before halftime.

"A big part of the game," Buda said, "was the offense and defense came back every time they had to."

After North Dakota pulled within 17-14, UNO's freshman running sensation, LaRon Henderson, took over.

Henderson, who gained more than 100 yards for the fourth straight game with 109 on 23 carries, gained 25 yards on an off-tackle play to set up Bonacci's second field goal, a 30-yarder the third play of the fourth quarter.

After North Dakota pulled within 20-17, UNO linebacker Mike McDonnell came up with the play of the game.

Otto hit Tom Demars with a pass and as the running back spun to head upfield the ball flew into the air. McDonnell grabbed the fumble and raced 41 yards into the end zone for a 27-17 lead.

After UND scored to make it 27-20, Majerus pulled back on a quarterback option and hit Bobbie Gordon with a 68-yard touchdown bomb.

"Gordon made great over-the-shoulder catch on that ball," Buda said. "You're either gonna

get sacked on that play or get a touchdown."

The Mavs return home Saturday to play St. Cloud State. Both teams are tied for fifth in the NCC.

North Central Conference Standings

	W	L	T	Overall
North Dakota State.....	5	1	0	5-2-0
Mankato State.....	5	1	0	5-2-0
South Dakota.....	4	2	0	6-2-0
North Dakota.....	4	2	0	5-2-0
UNO.....	3	3	0	5-3-0
St. Cloud State.....	3	3	0	4-4-0
Morningside.....	3	3	0	4-3-0
South Dakota State.....	2	4	0	3-4-0
Augustana.....	1	5	0	2-6-0
Northern Colorado.....	0	6	0	1-7-0



—Dale Bottum

Tom Hoffman, No. 21, UNO's defensive player of the game, makes one of his 10 tackles.



—Dale Bottum

Brad Beckman, UNO's offensive player of the game, turns upfield for a touchdown.

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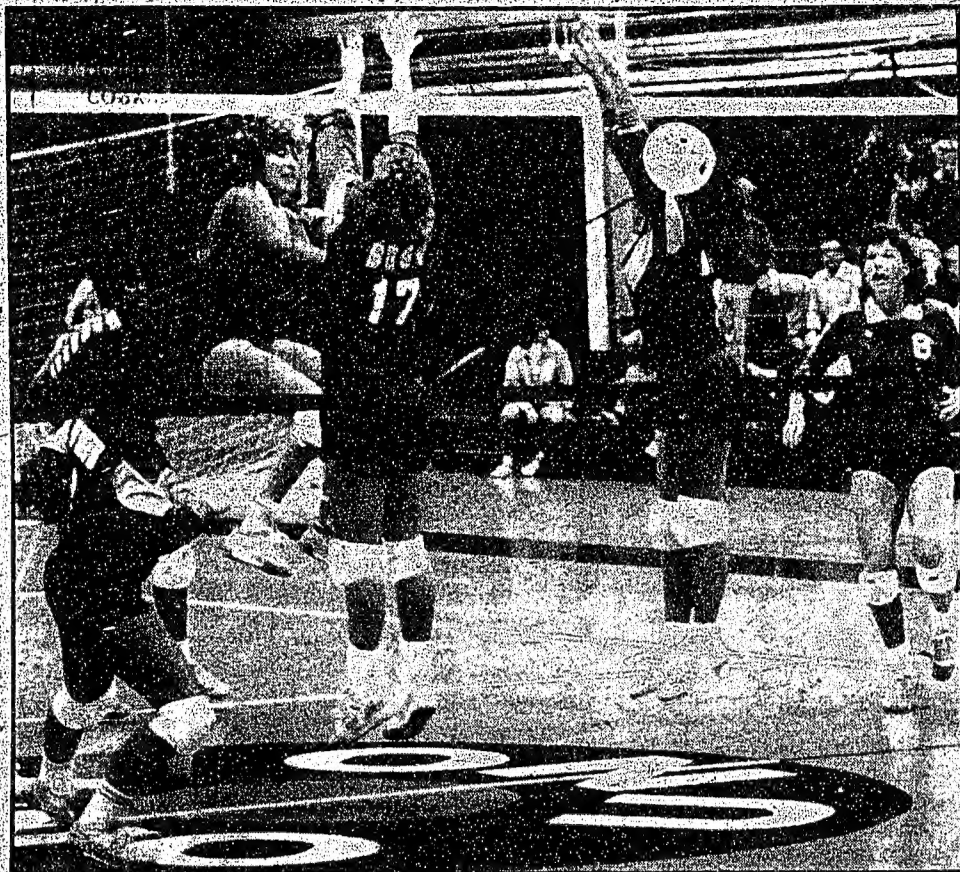
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UNO spikers add another victim to NCC hit list



Two leaping Jackrabbits fail to stop UNO's Lori Schutte, third from right, from registering another kill.

By MARK HAGGAR
Staff Reporter

The Lady Mavs extended their record volleyball win streak in North Central Conference play with an easy win over South Dakota State.

The triumph boosted the UNO win chain to 16 matches in league play, and counting tournament action, UNO hasn't lost in 29 straight matches against NCC competition.

The Lady Jackrabbits couldn't hold off the Lady Mavs' attack Friday evening and absorbed a four-game loss, 15-3, 15-0, 14-16, 16-2. The Lady Mavs improved to 19-4 overall, 2-0 in the NCC. SDSU dropped to 17-11 and 0-2.

It's been almost two years since UNO took an NCC loss. St. Cloud State was the last league member to down the Lady Mavs, winning in five games Nov. 8, 1985.

UNO Coach Janice Kruger was looking for leadership going into the game against SDSU. She said UNO hasn't been playing with any intensity or togetherness prior to opening conference play.

However, Kruger was quite pleased with her seniors in the victory against the Lady Jacks.

"My seniors played very well tonight," Kruger said. "We really played quite well as a team."

"The only mistake that we made tonight was my fault," Kruger said. "I should have put the younger girls in the beginning of the third game, and I should have put the starters back in after seven points."

The Lady Mavs lost the third game after they had jumped out to a seven-point lead. Kruger replaced the UNO starters with younger players who allowed the Lady Jacks to come back and win the game 16-14.

"You really can't count that third game as a loss," UNO senior middle hitter Lori Schutte said. "We set a goal prior to the match that we would only allow South Dakota State 0-3-2 points in a three-game match, which, we feel, accomplished our goal."

Schutte led UNO with an .833 hitting percentage, her second straight match over .800. Schutte had 16 kills in 18 attempts, along with four block assists.

"Schutte is an excellent athlete," SDSU Coach Deb Allyn said. "Their whole team is so big and so strong, we just couldn't keep up with them. Next time we play them, I'm going to have to change our defense."

UNO's All-American Ruth Evans had a .692 hitting percentage in the four games. Evans had 10 kills in 13 attempts and she also added four service aces and five blocked shots.

Lisa Lyons, UNO's senior middle blocker, also made her presence felt with eight blocks and nine kills with a .750 hitting percentage. Lyons leads the team overall in blocks with 100, 24 solos and 76 block assists.

The Lady Mavs compiled a team hitting percentage of .511 in the SDSU game. A team's hitting percentage is equivalent to a baseball player's batting average. The Lady Mavs held the Lady Jacks to a .115 hitting percentage.

Ex-Navy star sails toward NBA career

David Robinson, former college basketball All-American at Navy and the NBA's No. 1 draft pick by San Antonio in 1987, can't understand why people expect him to be unhappy.

Robinson was in Omaha last Friday for the annual Navy Ball. While in town he made a speech to about 100 people at the UNO Student Center and voiced no regrets about his service commitment preventing him from playing in the National Basketball Association for two years.

"Basketball is a big part of my life but so is the Navy," Robinson said.

Robinson, whose 2,669 career points rank him 10th on the National Collegiate Athletic Association's all-time scoring list, said San Antonio has his rights for just one year. After this year, if he still has not signed a contract with the Spurs, he will be able to play for any team.

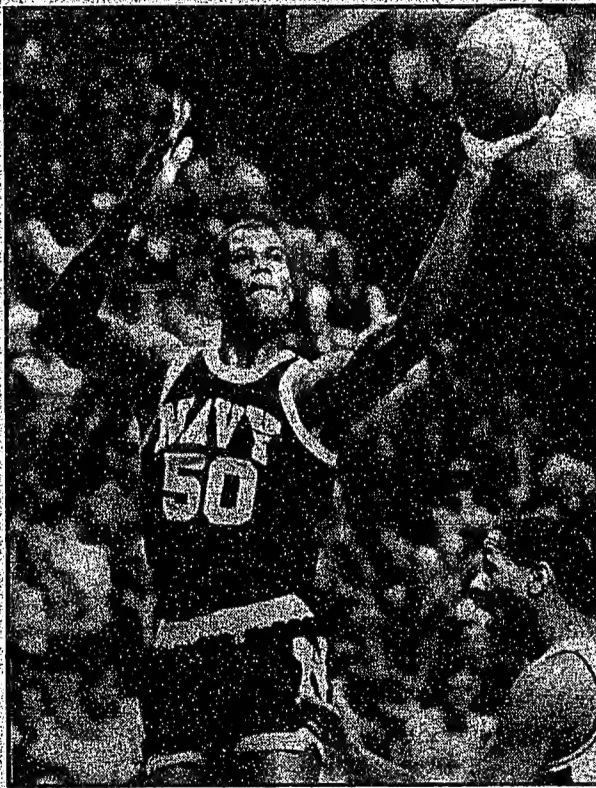
Robinson has a "sneaking suspicion" the world champion Los Angeles Lakers are interested in him, and he said he'd love to play for an organization of that caliber.

Actually he belongs to the Navy for the next two years, but the articulate 22-year-old, 7-foot ensign said he's pleased with the way things have turned out.

"I'm happy today and would do it over again. The Navy is not for everybody, but it's a great opportunity for those who choose to do it," Robinson said.

Robinson didn't begin to play basketball until his senior year in high school. He said his experience at the academy gave him the chance to grow and learn more about himself while gaining the confidence to do anything he wants to in life.

"I have enough confidence in myself that, after basketball, I think I can do anything," Robinson said. "Right now, I'm interested in construction, but there are a lot of opportunities out there. We'll just have to see what happens."



Former Navy star David Robinson, No. 50, in his last game in college.

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